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Fort Almanac—Dec. 10.

Sun Rises	6 59 A M
Sun Sets	4 46 P M
Day's Length	9 h 47 m
High Water at Southport	7 07 A M
High Water at Wilmington	9 47 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 10.

Temperature, 8 a. m., 44°; 8 p. m., 56°; maximum, 68°; minimum, 48°; mean, 56°.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, .19.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

High barometer areas central over the Atlantic coast and the far Northwest cover all sections, except a narrow belt extending from Texas northeast to over the upper Lakes. Cloudiness, with light local rains, prevails under this belt of low pressure. Light rain is also falling over Florida. Fair weather prevails elsewhere. It is generally warmer, except over the far Northwest.

Local forecast to 12 mid-day Friday—Fair; warmer, followed by increasing cloudiness and possibly a local shower; southerly winds.

Stage of river at Fayetteville at 8 a. m. 4 feet.

OUTLINES

An insurgent force entered the town of Caimanera, carried off $30,000 and other plunder; more Spanish guerillas have joined the insurgents; engagements are reported in Santa Clara province. —— The Pension appropriation bill was under consideration yesterday in the House; the debate promises to continue for several days; in the Senate 45 private pension bills passed; Hoar presented a petition from natives of Hawaii protesting against annexation. —— It is announced in Baltimore that control of the C. F. & Y. V. Railroad has passed to the Seaboard and Roanoke Company and hereafter will be operated under perpetual lease of the S. A. L. system. —— The wife of Fitzsimmons says she will not stand in the way if her husband wishes to fight Corbett; it is believed a match will be arranged. —— The wife and children of Brown Smith murdered by unknown parties, near Wesson, Miss., while Smith was absent from home. —— Wages of miners at Creed Col., have been increased from $3.50 to $3.00 per day. The Spanish Government is said to be making preparations to meet threats of intervention by the United States in Cuba. —— There is fear of a Moslem uprising in Russian Asia. —— Hon. W. J. Bryan left Galveston yesterday for a tour of Mexico. —— It is believed that the cut in wages of mill operatives at Fall River will be about 11 per cent. —— Two more jurors secured in the Luetgert trial; the one man lacking it is expected will be secured to day. —— At 11 30 last night Mrs. McKinley was still alive, but very weak. —— In the bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, New York, Miller still leads; physicians denounce the exhibition. —— A bill has been introduced in the House for constructing dry docks and enlarging those already built. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@3 per cent, last loan 2 and closed offered at 1½@2 per cent; cotton dull—middling 5⅞c; flour firm and higher, but not active; wheat—spot strong; No. 2 red $1 10½ f. o. b. afloat; corn—spot firm, No. 2 34c f. o. b. afloat; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

The Northern organs which arise so frequently to remark about the plethora of money indulge in a plethora of nonsense.

A New York brute has been arrested for assaulting his landlady with one of her beefstakes. That was tough.

It is a "black ghost" that is pestering the barns and hen roosts of a Western town. They haven't taken the dimensions of the ghost's tracks yet.

It was a Philadelphia man who proved an alibi when charged with kissing a pretty Maryland girl. Some Philadelphia men would do almost anything.

Texas is at the front as a pecan producer. According to the Galveston *News*, the crop this year amounts to over three millions bushels, and the trees are not all stripped yet.

It wasn't in Klondike but in Arkansas that three men were mortally wounded in a scrimmage about one woman. And the impression prevailed that women were not scarce in Arkansas.

An Indiana man who has become a preacher has returned $495.86 pension money which he had drawn, but is now satisfied he was not entitled to. It would be a good thing if some more pensioners got religion.

There is a school teacher down in Georgia who makes the following announcement on his shop: "A Few Bright Scholards Taken to Lern Writin', Spellin' and Figerin'." A Takin' announcement like that ought to fetch the bright 'uns.

Kansas has struck upon a new industry, that of converting gypsum into an imitation of marble, by a Canadian process, which solidifies and crystallizes the gypsum, which after the process resembles marble and takes a fine polish. The gypsum deposits extend through several counties and are said to be inexhaustible.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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The postmaster in the little town of Frances, Ohio, has got himself somewhat mixed up with the Government because he got to mixing postage stamps with drinks. To boom his business he conceived the bright idea of giving a postage stamp with every drink bought in his shop, and a drink with every ten stamps purchased. This helped the sale of stamps and also of drinks. But as the Government didn't approve of that way of stamping liquor the stamp-licker was arrested and put under a $300 bond for booming business in that unique style.

One of the Chicago tax assessors has got himself into notoriety and trouble also by getting rich too soon through bribes to under-value property in his bailiwick. He has raked in over $50,000 in bribes, and was good for about $150,000 if he hadn't been tripped up. Some people objected to having their property assessed at a certain figure while imposing sky-scraping structures towering above them were assessed at two thirds or more less. From this it seems that bribers are not scarce in Chicago either.

A Brooklyn girl who had been studying up on anarchy, threw the town of Wilmington, Delaware, into commotion the other day by pouncing upon and kissing every long whiskered man in sight, because they looked like anarchists. Her final raid was on a barber shop, where she proceeded to kiss the whole establishment with the poor fellows waiting to be shaved, and would have done it if they hadn't run into the street and yelled for the police.

Herr Bismarck, who is wrestling with the rheumatism, says he would give all the titles in Europe, if he had them, to the fellow who would yank that rheumatism out of him. Maybe if he tackled "American arrogance" it might have some effect on it.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MERCER & EVANS—A card.
KING GROCERY CO.—Turkeys.
I. B. RHODES—Hard to escape.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Personal Paragraphs Pertaining Primarily to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Capt. Haywood Clark, of the A. C. L., is here.

— Mr. Walker Meares returned to Pollocksville yesterday.

— Mr. R. P. Cotten, of Faulkland, was in the city yesterday.

— Messrs. R. E. and G. P. Jones, of Rocky Point, were in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. D. Johnson, of Garland, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. L. C. Wooten, of Fayetteville, was among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Mr. J. R. Tillery, registering from North Carolina, was at the Orton yesterday.

— Mr. B. H. Griffin, proprietor of the Hotel Kennon, Goldsboro, was one of the registrations at the Orton yesterday.

— Mr. Charles S. Wallace, of Morehead City, arrived in the city yesterday and will embark in the clam shipping business.

— Mr. Jno. R. Smith, of Goldsboro, Superintendent of the State Penitentiary, and Mr. J. J. Wood, Superintendent of the State farm at Castle Hayne, were here yesterday.

"Dolls' Bazaar"—Closing Entertainment.

The "Dolls' Bazaar," given by the Young People's Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church, was brought to a most successful close last night. The programme presented last evening was a combination of the two entertainments presented the two previous evenings—the "Anvil Chorus" and Tennyson's "A Dream of Fair Women," besides several beautiful selections by the superb orchestra.

The "Bazaar" was a most successful entertainment, both artistic and financial, and the receipts of the three nights foot up $440.

This morning at 10 30 o'clock at the City Hall all dolls and fancy work, not sold, will be auctioned off, and all are invited to attend.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents tf

On account of the Association of Academies in North Carolina, Raleigh, N. C., December 27th, 1897, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets to Raleigh, N. C., from Wilmington at the rate of $6 55 for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 26th and 27th; final limit December 31st, 1897.

LOCAL DOTS

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— The tug *William F. McCauley* left on her return trip to Savannah early yesterday morning.

— At a meeting of the Governing Board of L'Etoile Cotillon Club held yesterday afternoon Mr. Lonnie Southerland was elected a member of the Board.

— The Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and after transacting business of importance, adjourned subject to the call of the President.

— Mr. J. M. Moore, of Greenville, has accepted a position in the auditing department of the Atlantic Coast Line, this city. Mr. Moore is the son of Mr. J. R. Moore, of Greenville.

— The schooner *James Rothwell*, Captain Fisher, was cleared yesterday for Lynn, Mass., by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., with a cargo of 884,000 feet of lumber from the Cape Fear Lumber Company.

— The funeral services of Otto Albert Woebse, the little son of police officer H. H. Woebse, were conducted by Rev. Dr. G. D. Barnheim at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the residence, 609 Swann street. The pall bearers were Martin Schulken, M. Rathjen, Jr., Peter Fick, Jr., and Willie Schutte. After the services at the house were concluded the procession moved to Bellevue Cemetery, where the interment was made.

AN INTERESTING RELIC.

Col. Jno. L. Cantw ll's Advice Asked as to What Should be Done With It.

Col. John L Cantwell, as a Mexican war veteran, is in receipt of the following communication from Col. Jas. D Blanding, of Sumter, S C, President of the Palmetto Regiment Survivors' Association.

DEAR COMRADE—Write me how you vote on following question: What to do with the Jackson Vase? Whether to keep it for the last survivor, or to donate it to the State of South Carolina, or to donate it to the Ladies' Hermitage Association of the United States?

Sincerely yours.

PRESIDENT P. R. S. A.

The vase in question is a very valuable relic. It was donated by the ladies of South Carolina to General Andrew Jackson soon after the victory at New Orleans in 1815 and in honor of that event. Old Hickory left a proviso in his will that the vase be returned by his executors to the ladies of South Carolina and given by them to the patriot of that State most valiant in defence of his country's honor and his country's rights. There seems to have been some difficulty, however, in carrying out this bequest. So it is thought by some that a good way out of the difficulty would be to give the vase to the Hermitage Association. Col. Cantwell holds that the vase ought to go to the State of South Carolina.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—988 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 69 bbls rosin, 29 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—1,858 bales cotton, 39 casks spirits turpentine, 72 bbls rosin, 107 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—208 bales cotton, 42 casks spirits turpentine, 138 bbls rosin, 30 bbls tar.

Larkins' flat—7 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 4 bbls rosin, 59 bbls tar.

Ward's flat—23 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 3,006 bales; spirits turpentine, 98 casks; rosin, 278 bbls; tar, 274 bbls.

Woodmen of the World.

The annual election of Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, was held last night at their hall with the following result:

Counsellor Commander—Thomas R. Post.
Adviser Lieutenant—H. E. Gibbons
Clerk—C. B. Allen.
Banker—H. F. Wilder.
Escort—W. G. A. Otersen.
Camp Physician—C. D. Bell, M. D.
Watchman—J. A. Miller.
Sentry—George C. Jackson.
Managers—Edwin Borden, W. H. Howell and John J. Fowler.

Prisoner Escaped from Custody.

John Swindell, colored, the alleged cloak thief, escaped from the custody of Deputy Sheriff Tony Ashe, colored, and is now at large.

Yesterday morning Swindell was tried by Justice Bunting on three charges, one carrying a concealed deadly weapon and two assaults with a deadly weapon, and in each was bound over to the next term of the Criminal Court. He was unable to give the required bond and was placed in charge of Deputy Sheriff Ashe to be placed in jail, but on the way to jail Swindell broke from the officer's grasp and made good his escape.

Magistrate's Court.

Justice Bunting disposed of two cases yesterday.

Willie Toomer, colored, charged with assault and battery, was fined $5 and costs.

Chas. Connor, charged with a like offence, was adjudged guilty, but judgment was suspended upon payment of costs.

Wilmington Lodge, I. O. O. F.

At the regular monthly meeting of Wilmington Lodge No. 189, I. O. O. F., held last night, Mr. B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of North Carolina, was in attendance and made a brief address. A candidate was initiated by a picked degree team.

Dr. ARMAND J. DeROSSET.

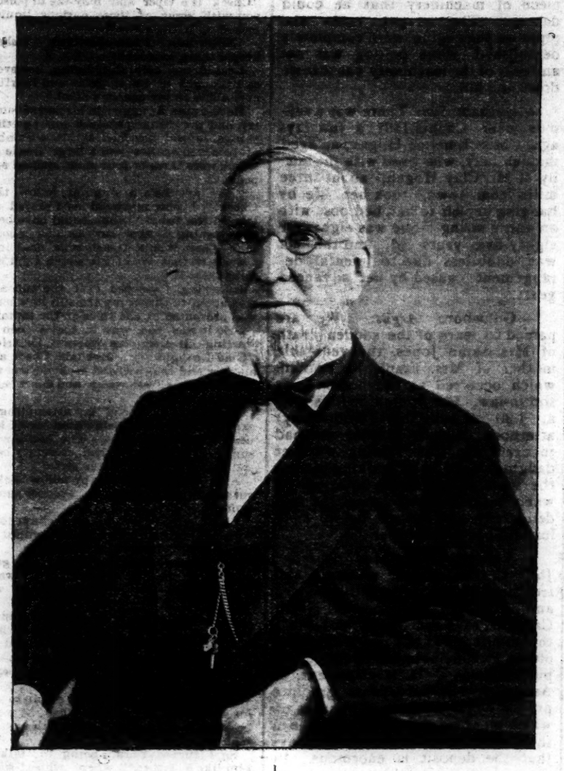
AFTER A LONG AND LINGERING SICKNESS THIS HONORED CITIZEN GOES TO HIS ETERNAL REST.

Over Ninety Years of Age, The Oldest Native of Wilmington, And Died in the House in Which He Was Born.

This venerable, widely known and universally esteemed citizen of Wilmington, after a most painful and lingering illness, has at last entered into rest. He died at his residence in this city at 11 30 o'clock last night.

The following admirable sketch of his life and character has been prepared by a distinguished citizen of Wilmington:

Dr. DeRosset was born in Wilmington on the 6th day of October, 1807, and was, therefore, more than ninety years old; but, until his last illness, he had enjoyed vigorous health all his days. He was the oldest native of Wilmington, and died in



the same house in which he was born. He was the son of Dr. Armand J. DeRosset and Catherine Fullerton, who was a grand niece of David Hume, the historian. His father, who was a distinguished physician, and at the time of his death the oldest native also, died at the age of ninety-two years in this city. There has been a Dr. DeRosset in Wilmington continuously for one hundred and fifty-six years.

The DeRosset family was an old French Huguenot one, which took refuge in England and thence came to America. The founder of the family in this country was Dr. DeRosset's great-grand-father, Armand DeRosset, who was a graduate in medicine at Basel, Switzerland, and who came to North Carolina early in 1788, having in his family six persons. On the 25th of September of that year he received a grant for three hundred acres of land from Governor Gabriel Johnston and his council. He was made a justice of the peace, and died previous to 1760. He had two sons, Louis and Moses John, both of whom were prominent men. Louis was a member of the Colonial Assembly, chairman of the Committee of Public Accounts, Receiver General of the Province, Colonel of the Johnston County Regiment, member of the Governor's Council, etc. Moses John was a Captain in Colonel Jones' Regiment on the expedition to Virginia to fight the Indians and French in 1754, and was Mayor of Wilmington during the Stamp Act troubles in 1765–66, during which he distinguished himself by his ability, activity and zeal for liberty.

As a boy, Dr. DeRosset was very bright and precocious, and under the thorough instruction and strict discipline of James W Mitchell, a famous teacher of those days, he was prepared for college, and entered the University of North Carolina in 1821, joining the Sophomore class at the early age of fourteen, and graduating with honors in 1824 in his seventeenth year. He always regretted that his college course had been taken at so early a period. After graduating he was very desirous to receive a military education at West Point, and preparations were made for it, but were abandoned. He then determined to study medicine, and attended lectures, first in Charleston and afterwards at the University of Pennsylvania, of which his father had been one of the three first graduates. He received the degree of M. D. in 1828.

On the 18th of May, 1829, he was married to Miss Eliza Jane Lord, of this city, and their union was blessed by eleven children, five of whom are living.

After the death of this lady, he was again married in 1877 to Miss Catherine Kennedy, who died in 1894 without issue.

Entering upon the practice of his profession soon after graduating, he early acquired reputation as a surgeon, but never liked the other branches, and when a beautiful little girl patient of his died of what is now known as diphtheria—then called "putrid sore throat"—although he had used all the skill then known, he resolved to abandon the practice and retire to his plantation in Brunswick county. He did so; but not long afterwards, for the reason that the health of Dr. James F. McRee, of this city, a physician of national reputation, had been completely broken down, Dr. DeRosset yielded to the urgent solicitations of a large number of citizens to return to the practice; but with characteristic conscientiousness took another course of lectures and attended the hospitals in Philadelphia before doing so. He practiced successfully for several years, but could not overcome his distaste for it, and again and finally abandoned it; and he and the late P. K. Dickinson, Esq., bought the Phœnix Mill from Gov. Dudley and carried on a successful business until 1839, when he and John Potts Brown started a general commission business under the firm name of Brown & DeRosset.

This business became very large and prosperous. A branch house was established in New York under that name (the house in Wilmington being DeRosset & Brown) and the firm continued to prosper until the war caused its dissolution. The business was continued by Dr. DeRosset and Mr. R. F. Brown until the latter's death in 1865, and then for some years by the Doctor and his sons, and son-in-law, until the accumulated burdens of those troubled times threatened the credit of the house, whereupon he immediately called his creditors together and, although he could easily have settled for fifty cents on the dollar, peremptorily refused to do so, turned over all his property, claiming no exemptions, and thus not only paid every cent, but transferred property which afterwards sold for more than he got for it. His friends censured him for insisting on this course, but he wrote (in a paper now before this writer) these words: "I have never for a moment regretted having done so, and could never have felt satisfied if I had retained property and left any debt unprovided for, and the 'mens conscia recti' has been far more precious to me than the possession of any amount which the laws and the circumstances of the case would have enabled me to retain."

Always a public-spirited man, Dr. DeRosset was identified with nearly all the earlier enterprises inaugurated for the advancement of his native town, and especially with the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, to the capital stock of which he was one of the original subscribers and the last surviving one, and of which he was a director almost from the beginning. One of the incidents of his life to which he referred with pride and pleasure (though never publicly) was his successful negotiation in 1849 in England of $520 000 of the bonds of that road when the undertaking seemed absolutely hopeless. The road was completed in 1837, and was the second longest railroad then in existence, but the cost of iron rails was then so great that the company could not buy them, and therefore the track was laid with strap iron, spiked to wooden scantling. It was doing a good business, and the prospect of the construction of the North Carolina Railroad and the Wilmington & Manchester Railroad promised an increase of its traffic, but it was feared that for the successful handling of it iron rails were absolutely necessary. The property of the company had been mortgaged to the State for more than half a million dollars, and its credit was so low that the leading merchant of Wilmington had refused to fill an order from it for a dozen shovels.

The directors appealed to the Legislature to endorse the bonds of the Company in order to buy iron rails. This was refused, but the Legislature released the State's mortgage so that the road could have a clean title to its property and a basis of credit on which to negotiate for the purchase of the rails. This was in 1848. Shortly afterwards Dr. DeRosset was urged by the directors to undertake the negotiation of the bonds of the Company either in this country or Europe. Believing in the success of the road if this could be done, he accepted, and after satisfying himself that the negotiation could not be effected in this country, he sailed for Liverpool in May, 1849. After a series of disheartening experiences with capitalists he finally went directly to the iron manufacturers, and at last succeeded in inducing two firms to take the bonds in exchange for iron rails. The latter were promptly shipped, and the success of Dr. DeRosset's mission proved to be a turning point in the history of the road, which soon began to pay dividends and to thrive splendidly. Again in October, 1865—when the United States Government, which had held the road for military purposes, gave it up to the Company, and when it was almost a complete wreck—Dr. DeRosset was sent to England to make a new loan, and to get an extension of time from the bondholders. His mission was again successful and the Company was made easy. He made no charge and received no compensation for his services on either mission.

Any sketch of Dr. DeRosset which omitted his life-long service to the Church, of which he was a devoted member, would be sadly defective; but mention of only a few facts in that connection will now be made. He was an active and zealous member of the Episcopal Church from earliest manhood, and held the most responsible and prominent positions which a layman can hold therein. He succeeded his father as senior warden of St. James' church nearly fifty years ago, and continued so until his death. He was treasurer of the Diocese of North Carolina (before it was divided) for many years, and has been treasurer of the Diocese of East Carolina and member of its standing committee from its first organization until too enfeebled to perform its duties; and he has represented his Diocese as a deputy to the General Convention continuously for more than a half century, acting on the most important committees of that body, and thus becoming well known to Episcopalians throughout the country.

Throughout his life Dr. DeRosset always acted upon the principle that "duty is the sublimest word in our language." He did his duty as he saw it, fearlessly, honestly and courteously, and "bore without abuse the grand old name of gentleman."

The best evidence of this fact is to be found in the reverence and respect with which he was regarded and treated by all who knew him.

Having served his Maker and his fellowman in his generation, he has been gathered to his fathers, having, to use the words of one of the prayers of his Church, "the testimony of a good conscience; in the communion of the Catholic Church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope; in favor with Thee our God, and in perfect charity with the world."

Funeral of Little Walter L. Parsley.

The funeral of little Walter L. Parsley, Jr., took place from the residence, 711 Market street, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The house was thronged with people, whose presence told as plainly as so many words how sincerely they sympathized with the bereaved family. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Robert Strange, and the hymns "There Is a Blessed Home" and "Jesus, Tender Shepherd, Hear Me" were rendered by a choir consisting of Miss Mary Calder, Miss Waddell, Mrs. R. N. Sweet and Mr. A. S. Holden.

The interment was made in Oakdale cemetery and there was an abundance of beautiful floral designs. The pall bearers were Messrs. R. A. Parsley, M. S. Willard, L. B. Sasser and Don McRae.

Little Walter had always shown a marked fondness for the military, and there was nothing that delighted his childish heart more than to watch the drills and manœuvres of the W. L. I. and the Naval Reserves. Out of recognition of this characteristic in the little fellow, the flag at the W. L. I. armory was kept at half-mast yesterday.

BOLD BURGLAR

Attempted to Enter the Residence of Mr. S. F. Yopp on Brunswick Street.

Shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday night an attempt was made by a negro man to enter the residence of Mr. S. F. Yopp, on Brunswick street between Fifth and Sixth.

Wednesday night Mr. Yopp had a visitor at his residence, and it was shortly after 11 o'clock and after the departure of the visitor that the family started to retire for the night. As Mr. Yopp's oldest daughter entered her room she was startled by seeing a negro man at one of the room windows in the act of attempting to raise the window. Miss Yopp at once called to her father and Mr. Yopp, armed with a revolver, went in search of the scoundrel, but he had vanished. The negro evidently attempted to effect an entrance through several other windows of the residence, as on the ground under each window were discovered tracks of large feet.

ROBBERY ON PRINCESS STREET.

Mr. J. Baker's Repair Shop Entered by Thieves—Several Pairs of Shoes Stolen.

Wednesday night or early yesterday morning the boot and shoe repair shop of Mr. J. Baker, on Princess street, between Front and Second, was broken into and five pairs of gentlemen's shoes which were in perfect repair and awaiting the call of the owners, were stolen. Mr. Baker left his shop, after fastening the windows and locking the door, about 8 o'clock Wednesday night, and discovered the robbery upon his return yesterday morning about 8 o'clock. An entrance was effected through a window facing on an alley leading from Princess street to the rear of the building. Two panes of glass were broken out of the window, which permitted the loosening of the fastenings, and then the lower sash was removed. Wednesday afternoon Mr. Baker, while at work in his shop, had occasion to step out, and left the door of his shop open. During his absence a pair of fine shoes were stolen.

Brooklyn Baptist Church.

The last of the series of services at Brooklyn Baptist Church will be held tonight. It will be the last opportunity that the people of Wilmington will have to hear the gifted young Baltimore pastor.

The meeting last night was one of the best of the series. Seven persons connected themselves with the church and there were many who gave the preacher their hands in token of their intention to lead better lives. The text to night will be "What shall I do with Jesus, which is called the Christ?"

Dr. Bruner will leave Saturday morning so as to reach Baltimore in time to fill his pulpit Sunday.

A Small Fire.

Yesterday morning about 7 o'clock a spark from a wood fire in the sitting room of the residence of Mr. W. H. Styron, on Fourth street between Chesnut and Princess, set fire to a large quantity of cotton cloth, and in a few seconds afterwards the room was full of flames and smoke. An alarm was sent in from box 27, Third and Princess streets, to which the department responded and quickly suppressed the flames. Chief Haney was in charge.

The S. A. L. and the Southern.

The following official announcement confirms fully what has been twice unofficially given in the STAR:

"The Baltimore Steam Packet Company and the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Richmond Steamboat Company have adjusted their differences as to Chesapeake Bay traffic on a basis mutually satisfactory, and this adjustment carries with it an agreed policy of harmony and co-operation in the management of the rail lines of the Southern Railway and of the Seaboard Air Line south of Washington, Norfolk and Portsmouth in respect to both freight and passenger traffic. R. C. HOFFMAN, President.
SAMUEL SPENCER, President."

U. S. Commissioner's Court.

Harry Wask, a seaman, yesterday afternoon entered suit in United States Commissioner Bunting's court against the schooner *Roger Moore* and owners for $180 alleged wages due him. Commissioner Bunting issued a summons for Captain Miller, of the *Moore*, which was duly served. The case will be tried at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

DR. KINGSBURY PAINFULLY HURT.

Run Into by a Bicycle Rider While Returning From Church Last Night.

Dr. T. B. Kingsbury, while returning home from church last night in company with Mr. J. W. Craig, was run into by a colored man, Robt. E. Reardon, on a bicycle, and received painful injuries that will necessitate his remaining in bed for several days.

Last night Dr. Kingsbury attended Market Street M. E. church, and about 8 30 o'clock started to return home in company with Mr. J. W. Craig. At the intersection of Sixth and Market streets Dr. Kingsbury and Mr. Craig started to cross from the north side of the street to the south side, and about the same time Robert E. Reardon, a colored barber, approached on a bicycle. Reardon balloaed at the two gentlemen and rang his bell, but in the confusion which necessarily followed Dr. Kingsbury and the bicycle took the same route, which resulted in a collision. Dr. Kingsbury was knocked about eight feet, sustaining painful injuries to his right hip and right arm. He was carried into the residence of Mr. W. N. Harriss, near by, and Dr. A. H. Harriss was soon in attendance.

Later Dr. Kingsbury was removed in a carriage to his home on South Third street.

GEORGIA FOOT-BALL LAW.

Vetoed by Gov. Atkinson—This Was Expected, Although the Bill Had a Large Majority in the Legislature.

Governor Atkinson never did a more sensible thing in his life than he did when he vetoed the anti-foot-ball law passed by the Georgia Legislature. Among other cogent reasons, he gives the following:

"It may be that some legislation is necessary to modify the fierceness of foot-ball games, but that species of legislation which seeks to usurp the responsibility and functions of trustees, faculty and parent and take charge of young men and children in their sports is fundamentally wrong; it is governmental paternalism of the most vicious and pronounced type. We can occasionally recur with profit to that wise adage which is really axiomatic, 'That government governs best which governs least.'

"If it is found that trustees, faculties and parents persist in permitting the game played in a manner which calls for legislative action, the State can interfere to correct the evil; but it would be unfortunate to entirely suppress in our schools and colleges a game of so great value in the physical, moral and intellectual development of boys and young men. It is true the game is and should be rough, but not dangerous. The sports of every great people, ancient and modern, have been hard and severe. Such games are helpful in the development of the highest and noblest type of our race. Greece gloried in doing honor to the victors of the Olympian games, the successful contestant in the joust was hailed a hero, and the knight whose skill and strength won victory on the tournament was honored as a triumphant warrior."

COTTON CROP ESTIMATE.

Estimate of the Cotton Crop of 1897-98 by Latham, Alexander & Co.

The following from the cotton letter of Messrs. Latham, Alexander & Co., bankers and cotton commission merchants, New York, is of interest:

NEW YORK, December 7, 1897.

Basing our conclusions upon an exhaustive correspondence with all the cotton growing counties in the Southern States, reliable information secured from individuals and from travellers through the South, and upon the percentages of the crop marketed at numerous points, the following is our estimate of the total yield by States:

This estimate we submit, with the confident belief that it will prove as nearly correct as any that could be made at this date, after a careful consideration of the cotton movement thus far this year:

	Bales.
Total crop of Alabama	1,109,000
" " Arkansas	852 000
" " Florida	66 000
" " Georgia	1,480,000
" " Louisiana	708,000
" " Mississippi	1,379,000
" " North Carolina	594 000
" " South Carolina	875 000
" " Tennessee, etc.	395,000
" " Texas & Indian Territory	2,786,000
	10,188 000

During the month of July the crop generally promised well, and large estimates of the yield were made.

In August and September an excessive drought and other adverse conditions prevailed, and a marked deterioration occurred.

During October and the greater part of November favorable weather was the rule, and the crop has been materially increased thereby.

Although the crop was planted late, the drought forced cotton to early maturity, and our correspondents say up to this date the crop has been marketed rapidly.

In our opinion, the movement henceforth will not prove to be in excess of the movement of a normal cotton year.

For a time quarantine restrictions in a portion of the South retarded shipments, but to a much smaller extent than was generally supposed.

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Control Passed to the Seaboard & Roanoke —Will Hereafter Be Operated by the S. A. L. System.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, December 9—It is announced that the control of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway has passed to the Seaboard and Roanoke railroad company and that the property will hereafter be operated under a perpetual lease by the "Seaboard Air Line" system. The basis of the deal is said to be a guarantee to the bondholders and an agreement to operate the line for 75 per cent. of the gross receipts, the balance to go to the stockholders. The announcement has caused a rise of 20 points in the price of the securities of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley.

BALTIMORE, December 9.—It is understood that the settlement agreed upon by the Southern and Seaboard Air Line is that the Richmond service will be abandoned by the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, and that the York River line will cease to be a competitor for Norfolk business.

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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 10, 1897

NOT ALONE.

President McKinley couldn't avoid saying something about bimetallism in his message to Congress, but he could't say much, and therefore said all he could say, and when he did say it he came as near saying nothing as if he had done his level best. The question of bimetallism is a great one, the greatest one before this country and the world to day, and this is the perfunctory way in which he disposes of it:

"The gratifying action of our great sister republic of France in joining this country in the attempt to bring about an agreement among the principal commercial nations of Europe, whereby a fixed and relative value between gold and silver shall be secured, furnishes assurance that we are not alone among the larger nations of the world in realizing the international character of the problem and in the desire of reaching some wise and practical solution of it."

Committed to bimetallism as he and his party are, would it have been possible for him to say anything more unmeaning than this if he had tried? The "gratifying action of our sister Republic of France" furnishes assurance that we are not alone, and what does all that amount to if we are to be content with the assurance that we are not alone? We knew pretty well how our sister Republic of France stood on that question before our commission visited Europe, for France always has been friendly to silver and uses it more freely taan any other country in Europe, and as a result is the most prosperous country in Europe, so that practically we had all the "gratifying assurance" before the three commissioners crossed the ocean. Mr. McKinley seems to think there has been some substantial gain in the assent of France to co-operate with this country for the restoration of silver, and that he has redeemed the pledge of his party by securing this gratifying assurance, and right there he proposes to stop and let things drift on as they have been drifting. He has no suggestion to make as to pushing the work, and no intimation that we should take any further steps, the inference being that we and France must wait until some of the other nations manifest an inclination to drop in. He had an opportunity to strike a blow for silver which would have told the world over in time, if not immediately, by recommending that as we were not alone in our desire to settle this question, but had France with us, we proceed to settle it in our own way, having failed to secure the co-operation of other countries, save France, and let them take their own time in settling it for themselves. If they preferred the methods they are now pursuing let them continue those methods until commercial and other exigencies would compel a change.

France has 38,000,000 of people we have 75,000,000. With 111,000,000 of people in two of the leading commercial nations of the world, and two of the most progressive, declaring for bimetallism, wouldn't that have its influence on lesser nations, and in time on others which stand in the front rank? There are now of the world's population over 1,000,000,000 whose principal money is silver, against 400,000,000 who adhere to the gold standard. We are told that these 400,000,000 embrace the leading commercial and manufacturing nations on the earth. Concede this. Do not the commercial nations depend for their trade and profits on other nations? Do not these gold standard nations sell their millions upon millions of goods to other nations, which trade with them simply because they have had the field and have been practically without competition or opposition? Their preference would be, other things being equal, to trade with nations that met them on their own silver standard, but this they haven't been able to do because the gold monometallists of Europe have proceeded systematically to get every leading commercial nation to join them in the gold standard, England leading the way.

England played smart in that, for she knew that if she could put her commercial rivals on the same gold standard, she was in they would have no advantage of her in this respect among the silver nations, and consequently her tradesmen never began to feel the blighting effect of her gold standard until confronted in the East by the competition of silver-using Japan. This taught her manufacturers a lesson, and to this is to be attributed the growth of the silver sentiment in Great Britain, a sentiment which would triumph if it were not for the close clutch the gold men, who live by lending money, have on the men who shape financial policies and run the Government. It was the agitation by these that caused the encouragement given our commissions by English statesmen as to the possible acquiescence of Great Britain in the bimetallic movement.

Mr. McKinley ought to know, and every one who has given this question any thought and study ought to know, that no movement of this kind can be carried out until some nation makes a start, just as England made the start on her own motion when in 1816 she adopted the gold standard without waiting for the co operation of other nations. They followed in turn to be in harmony with Great Britain, and if they were to change, if this country were to lead the way so they would have some encouragement to make the change. Great Britain would soon be changing to get into harmony with them. She would be bound to do it whether she liked it or not, for trade necessities would compel her to put herself in a position to meet rivals in the countries where she had trade.

Mr. McKinley is right in saying we are "not alone" in our desire to rehabilitate silver, for we know that France is with us. We know that over two-thirds of the world's population are with us, and therefore we should not be content with knowing this, but take advantage of it and pursue the sensible, bold and independent course of adopting our own financial policy, regardless of what commercial rivals may do. If we did they would come in time, for they would be forced to come.

If Mr. McKinley had recommended something like this, there would have been some point and meaning in this perfunctory, meaningless reference to bimetallism.

MINOR MENTION.

The Republican statesmen in Congress from North Carolina, in common with a good many other Republican statesmen, have blood in their eye for the civil service. Mr. Pearson, of Buncombe, has already entered the lists against it with his lance in hand, or words to that effect. They are lining up to fall in with the other assailants when the scrimmage begins and the assault made on the public crib. A Washington correspondent of the Charlotte *Observer*, who has been feeling the pulse of the statesmen, reports as follows:

"The meeting of Congress to-day was uneventful. All the North Carolina Representatives and Senators were present. It is agreed among the Republican members of the delegation that if Congress carries out the President's civil service policy, outlined in his message to-day, North Carolina will not elect a Republican to the next Congress."

Hon. J. Wiley Shook, who roams at large somewhere out in Skyland, and has achieved more or less notoriety, if not fame, as the writer of "open letters to the President" and others, delivers himself thus:

"If this be true, 250 of those Congressmen will be plowing bulls and worming tobacco in place of misrepresenting the people in the Fifty sixth Congress. 'Watch the professor.'"

All this shows that our Republican statemen are in a perturbed state of mind, and very much concerned as to holding their grip if the bars to the public crib are not let down in time to save them. It is a pretty candid admission, too, as to the cohesive power of the spoils to hold the Republican patriots together, and to get them to rally to save the country. Of course this was pretty well known, but it is not often that Republican statesmen have the candor to so openly admit it.

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We referred yesterday to the movement of the cotton manufacturers of Fall River, Mass., to reduce the wages of their operatives, and it seems from later dispatches that they have decided upon a ten per cent. reduction, a pretty big slice cut out of the wages which were none too high before, and at a season, too, when the cost of living is very much increased. This what makes it particularly hard on the 25,000 wage-earners who will be affected by the cut. This may be necessary to enable the Fall River mills to keep running. We don't know about that, but if it be they must be in a pretty bad predicament and must look to the future with gloomy foreboding when Southern competition increases, to which they attribute most of their present embarrassments. It is suggestive, however, that while they are squeezing their wage-earners to hold even the slight grasp they have themselves, the Southern mills are not only running right along but are increasing in number and there is no talk of reducing wages, although Southern goods may be selling at a smaller margin for profit in consequence of the depressed condition of the markets than heretofore. But they seem to be able to stand it and by doing so, while the New England mills are resorting to extreme measures to protect themselves, they furnish a striking object lesson as to the advantages presented by the South as the field for the cotton manufacturer.

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Premier Sagasta, of Spain, speaking of that part of the President's message which referred to Cuba, struck its true inwardness when he said he didn't attach any importance to the "threat" to intervene in certain contingencies, "because it was made merely to give satisfaction to a portion of the American people without the intention of executing it." This isn't very complimentary to the sincerity or candor of the President, but it is about the size of it. Mr. Sagasta is, however, in error in calling it a "threat," for it is merely the reiteration in other words of Mr. Cleveland's assertion of the right of this Government to intervene for the protection of its own interests and to put an end to a war which is annually inflicting a loss of many millions of dollars on this country. That was not a threat to intervene; it was merely the assertion of the right to intervene when it becomes apparent that the task of pacifying Cuba is a hopeless one for Spain, a right which had been several times officially asserted before. But the Premier feels easy in the belief that there is no intention to carry it out, and that the declaration was made simply for the purpose of placating the opinion in this country favorable to Cuba, in other words, to humbug the Cuban sympathizers, a belief in which thousands of Americans who understand the situation better than he does agree with him.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Outlook (weekly) for December 4th presents the continuation of the "Story of Gladstone's Life" and much other matter that the reader will find interesting. Published by The Outlook Company, 13 Astor Place, New York.

The North American Review, for December, presents a solid list of contents, embracing subjects political, economic, historical, among them two very interesting articles, one entitled "England's Absorption of Egypt," the other "The Dream of Navigators." Address North American Review, 291 Fifth avenue, New York.

The reader will be delighted with the December number of *McClure's Magazine*, one of the most interesting and handsomely illustrated publications in this country. The contents of this number are very entertaining and the illustrations fine. Published by The S. S. McClure Company, 141—155 E 25th street, New York.

The young folks will be delighted with the Christmas number of *St. Nicholas*, which is full of stories and other interesting reading matter and beautifully illustrated. Among other stories is one by Rudyard Kipling entitled "Just So," the first of a series that he will write for *St Nicholas*. Published by the Century Company, Union Square, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT

—The anxiety of the Illinois Republicans to gerrymander that State indicates that they fear the voters don't appreciate the present rush of prosperity.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—It is estimated that the pension roll for the currency fiscal year will eat up $150,000,000, which is $32,000,000 more that the aggregate customs receipts estimated on the basis of the November returns, and only $12,000,000 less than the total receipts from internal revenue. No wonder the people are calling for the publication of the rolls.—*Baltimore Herald, Dem.*

—Those who call themselves Democrats and are for harmony will an ample supply to ease their pain if they will go on the party platform and stand there. If they are going to continue to fight the Democratic platform the place for them to look for harmony is in the ranks of the Republican party, where there is always a ready-made supply of harmony on hand for that sort of people.—*Louisville Dispatch, Dem.*

—Not much that is new is being published about the Klondike, nowadays, but the report from Japan, via Seattle, that thousands of Japanese are preparing to rush to that gold field is a distinct novelty. There is no reason for surprise at the report that so enterprising a people as the Japanese are following a custom so prevalent in civilized lands; but still, it is a development of their character for which the world was scarcely prepared, and, if carried out on the scale reported, it may lead to awkward international complications.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Lancelot Longlocks—"Poets are born, not made."

Maud Sharpe—"I know. I wasn't blaming you."—*Tit Bits.*

— He—"My friend is opposed to everything English."

She—"Yes; I noticed that in his conversion."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "How did your French go in Paris, Mrs. Parvenu?"

"Beautiful! They were really tickled with it."

— Teacher—"What is the difference between a fixed star and any other star?"

Pupil—"It depends a good deal upon the advance agent."—*Boston Transcript.*

— "No man," said Uncle Eben, "kin be purfect. But it's only by tryin' ter be so dat most ob us kin manage ter keep middlin' respectable."—*Washington Star.*

— "Everything on earth has its mission."

"How about the mosquitoes?"

"They make us think more kindly of flies."—*Chicago Record.*

— Mr. Mushly—"How young looking Mrs. Dewioke is."

Miss Oletimer (abstractedly)—"Yes; she doesn't look a day older than she did twenty years ago—(suddenly)—so mamma tells me."—*Judge.*

— A Dangerous Blunder: "No man can know everything," said the high-minded youth.

"Between you and me, replied Senator Sorghum, "that's a fact. But there is no excuse for a man's making the mistake of owning up to it."—*Washington Star.*

— "What do you mean," glared the editor, "by saying here that if you can get money legitimately in politics, take her?' Why do you put money in the feminine gender?"

"Bcause she talks," grinned the reporter.—*Tit Bits.*

— "Remember, my boy," said the middle-aged gentleman, "that contentment is better than riches."

"Yes," replied the young man, who is something of a philosopher himself; "that is to say, it would be if there were any such thing."—*Washington Star.*

How to Look Good.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: At her residence in this city, at 10 p. m. Tuesday night, Mrs. Julia Ireno Allen, the beloved wife of John L. Allen, Esq., passed away.

— Rocky Mount *Motor*: We regret to note the death of Mr. Ben Griffin, which occurred last Thursday at his home near Gold Rock. Mr. Griffin had been in feeble health for some time, and his death is due to a wound which he received during the war.

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: The clothing store of Mr. J. B. Shrago was closed up under execution on Monday. After retaining his homestead exemption of $500, and turning over the balance of his stock to his creditors, he resumed business the next morning. His liabilities will amount to about $2,500.

— Washington *Progress*: Mr. John Norris, of Chocowinity, was drowned here last Friday morning about 3 o'clock. He in some way accidentally fell overboard near the market pier. His body was recovered Saturday just before noon. At the coroner's inquest no marks of violence were discovered, and the body was turned over to relatives for burial.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: One night last week, when Mr. W. T. Croom had just completed the work of fitting up his new saw mill near Stewartsville, some scoundrel went there at night and tore up every piece of machinery that he could damage. The gauges, tubes and pipes on the engine were completely demolished, while belting was cut and part of the machinery was thrown down the hill.

— Durham *Sun*: There was a suicide near Chapel Hill a few days ago. Miss Emeline Hogan, an aged maiden lady, who lived with the family of Mr. Clay Hogan, about three miles from town, took her life by hanging herself to her bed post with an apron string. She was eighty or eighty-five years old, and this act was doubtless due to mental derangement caused by her advanced years.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: We are pained to learn of the sudden death of Mrs. Sarah Jones, the venerable mother of Mrs. Frank K. Borden, which occurred at the home of her son in-law, Mr. Borden, in this city, at 1.30 o'clock this (Wednesday) afternoon, of heart failure. She had just returned from driving with her daughter, and was walking across the room to lie down on a lounge, when she sank down under the sudden stroke and expired before medical aid could reach her.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: John C. Wadsworth, secretary and treasurer of the proposed Concord and Aberdeen Railroad, of North Carolina, says that work will start this month. He has raised $1,955,000 in Philadelphia for construction purposes. —— H. M. Ramseur, of Asheville, has surveyed a graphite property in McDowell county, of which mention was recently made in the *News and Observer*. He says that the deposit is enormous. In three places where the ore is exposed it can be cut with a knife, being almost entirely free from grit. The American Graphite Company has purchased the lands.

— Raleigh *Post*: Auditor Ayer has prepared the pension vouchers and they will be mailed to-day. The pension warrants amount to $109,000. They can be cashed at any bank or place of business. —— Mr. Winston gave the *Post* information about a new railroad which is being constructed through a fertile section of Eastern Carolina. The railroad is the Wellington and Powellsville and already nineteen miles have been graded. It is being constructed by the Brannon Manufacturing Co., of Lenoir, which owns the largest lumber plant in the South. The road will be 23 miles in length, and willl connect Aboskie and Windsor, passing through a fine timber country. It will be a feeder to the Norfolk & Carolina, and is expected to be completed by Spring. It is generally conceded that the road will become the property of the Atlantic Coast Line, forming a connection of the Wilmington and Norfolk line.

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APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 13, Sunday 3d in Advent, M P—Grace, Woodville.

December 13, Sunday 3d in Advent, E P—S Mark's, Roxobel.

December 16, Thursday, E P—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 17, Friday, Communion—S Thomas, Windsor.

December 19, Sunday 4th in Advent—Holy Innocents, Avoca.

December 25, Saturday, Christmas, M P—Advent, Williamston.

December 26, Sunday after Christmas—Grace, Plymouth.

Holy Communion at all morning services.

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THE MALAY'S SNAKE.

One hot morning in Jungwee anchored at Belisa. From the mastheed I watched the fish in the drifting gulf weed, not noticing a tar bucket hanging near me till a swell struck the ship and my head struck the bucket and dashed the tar all over my white duck suit.

The "slop chest"—a cask containing clothing which the seamen are allowed to purchase at any time—being empty, I could hope for no assistance from that quarter, and as there was no alternative left me except that of wearing my "tar dashed" suit until it could wash, rinse and dry—a labor at which, to tell the truth, I was never very expert—the clothes in the washtub.

As many of my shipmates would have done under similar circumstances—in fact, after the manner of mankind at large—I bestowed a number of wrathful blows and a number of forcible expletives upon the poor bucket, as if that was to blame and should be punished for the accident which was the result of my own carelessness.

When I was relieved from the masthead, I descended to the deck in no very pleasant frame of mind, and rolling up my shirt sleeves made my way directly to the tub in which I had left my clothes.

A Malay, a man of 30, with a long face and nose and small, twinkling, black eyes, sat upon the windlass bit watching me in such a peculiar manner that I stopped, thinking he wished to say something to me.

He turned aside his head, however, as our glances met and looked to leeward.

He and I were not on very good terms, as I had interfered on the previous day to prevent him from pounding our little cabin boy's head with a crowbar. He had "sworn eternal enmity" to me from that moment, and I doubted not that he would seek to injure me before we quitted the ship.

The cabin boy entertained the same opinion.

"Look out for him," he had said. "Check is a viper and may try to poison you with some of those curious liquids locked up in his chest."

"Never fear," I had answered. "I shall keep a sharp lookout."

I could not help shuddering, however, as I thought of the singular and horrible curiosities in my enemy's chest.

He had been a juggler in his native country, and the trunk contained, among other things, several bleached skulls, a number of poisoned arrows and a huge bottle in which were three or four small spotted serpents.

"Aye, aye, he's a singular fellow, this Check," I now muttered as I moved on toward the tub. "Where could have been the meaning of that curious look he gave me? There was a treacherous, malicious sparkle in that eye of his which I did not fancy."

So saying, I stooped over the tub and was about to thrust my arms in it, when I was prevented by the voice of the captain.

"So it was you, was it, that's been a-wasting all that 'ere water?" he cried. "Glad I caught you. Just take Check and another and the yawl and reekonoyster the shore for some fresh water, and don't be all day about it!"

There was no use of my attempting to explain that it was salt water that I had used for my ablutions. The tanks were empty and the skipper had evidently been waiting to set upon somebody.

And I was the unhappy fellow picked out to row along shore in the hot sun to sniff out a spring.

I had some work to get a chum to go with me, but the lanky Malay jumped at the offer.

We searched along shore for a good while and yet had spied no fresh water pouring into the bay. The season was against us.

At last we came near getting aground, thanks to the swell that was rising, when, as I had the boat hook in hand, and my mate his oar, the Malay sitting on the thwart doing nothing, the latter began whistling between his teeth.

Now, it is all very well for a man to take his ease when he can, but when he won't be satisfied with that, but whistles over it tauntingly, it provokes a mate.

So I turned round, going to "talk to him like a father," when, whish! something long and horrible darted by the side of my head, and my mate tumbled back astern.

That action of mine had saved my good for nothing life, for the Malay had whistled the snake out of the covert, and I stood in its line of motion.

As it was, my messmate's stumbling aft caused him to lose his balance and fall backward into the boat.

Never shall I forget the wild, horrible cry that burst from his lips as he quickly lifted his head from the bilge in which it had been submerged.

He tossed his arms wildly about, started to his feet and a moment after fell writhing in strong convulsions.

"Why, confound you, what is the matter with you?" exclaimed my mate, but drew back, a cry of terror bursting from his lips.

There lay the unfortunate Malay, with protruding tongue, bursting eyeballs and livid countenance, rolling over and over and vainly striving to disengage from his neck a deadly snake which had coiled about it and was now darting with forked tongue its venomous poison into his flesh.

The struggles of the unfortunate man were of brief duration, and while I and my companion hacked and pounded the serpent to pieces the death rattle sounded in the victim's throat, and with one farewell gasp he rolled over on his back and expired.

My mate, Tom Squid, now threw his hands around my neck.

"You have had a very narrow escape," said he, "and I will praise the high admiral all my life for saving you as he has done."

"So ought I, Tom," said I. "It certainly was lucky that my turning round to jaw the beggar was the means of sparing me from the doom he lured on himself."

The big snake was brought aboard, and every one had his stare at it, when it was tossed over the side, after which the remains of the Malay were consigned to the deep in the usual manner.—New York News.

Care of the Mouth When Ill.

When one is in good health, the mouth needs no special care beyond that of ordinary cleanliness. Indeed, the secretions of the various glands located in it act as disinfectants and keep it sweet. But few, however, are so healthy but they need to pay some attention to this organ, and when one is ill with any serious disease this becomes more and more necessary. One physician has found it advantageous to have patients suffering with fever chew occasionally some aromatic gum to stimulate the secretions of the mouth and wash out or destroy micro organisms or fermentation going on there. Another has accomplished the same end by having the patient chew some splinters of fresh pine wood. Dr. Rosenfield gives quite full directions for cleansing the mouth under such circumstances. He says that "in children and very old persons the less solid food taken the greater should be the care with the mouth. They should rinse it out several times a day with lukewarm water containing a little common salt, tincture of myrrh or eau de cologne added to stimulate secretion. When there is a tendency to bleeding of the gums or when the teeth are bad, a pinch of powdered oric acid may be twice daily rubbed in between the lips and gums. Patients with false teeth should remove them when they cannot take solid food.

"Patients with fever should have something to drink—cold water or weak lemonade—at least every hour. One must not wait till the patient asks for a drink. Besides preventing dryness, the fluid maintains the activity of the glands and the whole function of the mucous membrane. Many patients are prevented from drinking by a painful, dry and cracked condition of the lips, and therefore all feverish patients should, from the commencement of their illness, have their lips rubbed several times a day with vaseline. In protracted cases of fever the mouth may also be swabbed out with oil or greatly diluted glycerin.—New York Ledger.

Cause and Effect.

"Do your daughter and that Mr. De Culver quarrel as much as they used to?"

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Captured by Schoolgirls.

At Columbus, O., on one occasion Grant, after shaking hands with the crowd for three hours, was worn out, and the committee of arrangements retired him to some steps above the throng, says an exchange, and stationed General Wilcox and other officers along the line to say the general would not shake hands. They had just got to running on this programme when the girls of the high school came through, as bright a cluster of pretty faces and figures as any man ever looked on.

As they came within sight of the general a little miss in the lead began to take off her gloves. General Wilcox, with all the severity of military politeness, said, "No, you can't shake hands with the general," and so the word was passed along, the other officers each one saying to the girl, "You can't shake hands with the general." But just as she came to where the steps that she must take began to descend she held out her hand with an appealing look to Grant. He looked down at her face, into her eyes and said to the committee, "I can't stand that, I can't stand that." And he stepped down and shook hands with the girl, and in an instant was literally overwhelmed with a tornado of girls. They not only shook his hands, but jumped up to kiss him, kissed his hands and fondled his hair, and for five minutes all discipline was gone.

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The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. In use every where.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute			6½
Standard			7½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔	6	@	7½
Shoulders ℔	5	@	7½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔	5	@	5½
Shoulders ℔			5½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 20
BEESWAX ℔			22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	11 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔	15	@	18
Virginia	15	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks	60	@	65
Virginia Meal	61	@	65
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	85
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	12	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream		@	11
State	10@5	@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	6	@	12
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch	15	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen		@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	27 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	13 50
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	12 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	7 00
N C Herring, ℔ box	3 00	@	4 00
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	2 50	@	3 00
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 75
Choice		@	4 75
Straight		@	5 00
Fine Patent	5 25	@	5 50
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½@	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bag—White		@	45
Car load lots, Bag—White		@	44
Oats, from store		@	33½
Oats, Rust Proof		@	40
Cow Peas		@	85
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Choice	80	@	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	90
Western		@	85
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½@	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½@	@	6
North Carolina	7	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 20
LUMBER(City sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship-Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	12 00	@	13 00
Scantling and Board, resawed	12 00	@	13 00
Scantling and Board common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbados, in hhds		@	35
" in bbls		@	38
Porto Rico, in hhds		@	30
" in bbls		@	33
Sugar-House, in hhds	24	@	14
" in bbls	25	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	15	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	1 80
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	9 50
Rump		@	9 25
Prime		@	8 50
POTS, ℔ ℔	18	@	18
ROSIN, ℔ bbl		@	1 10
Liverpool		@	60
Lisbon		@	
Adamantine	60	@	60
SHINGLES, Cash, ℔ M—			
Common	1 50	@	1 75
Cypress	2 50	@	3 00
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Raw and Granulated—			
Standard A		@	5½
White A		@	5½
Extra C		@	5
Yellow C		@	4½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	5½	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	5 00	@	14 00
R. O. hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ cubic foot—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Cull		@	4 00
Common Mill	1 00	@	1 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	1 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed ℔ M—			
6 in Sap	7 00	@	9 00
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	3 50	@	4 00
4x30 Heart	3 00	@	3 50
" Sap	2 00	@	2 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4	@	4½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 20	@	1 25
North Carolina	1 00	@	1 10
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed		@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 30½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 29½ cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market dull at $1 15 per bbl for Strained and $1 20 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at $1.05 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady; $1.40 per barrel for Hard, 1 90 for Dip and 1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm, $1.45, $1.50; tar steady, $1.10; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, 1 90, 1.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	98
Rosin	288
Tar	247
Crude Turpentine	60

Receipts same day last year—44 casks spirits turpentine, 493 bbls rosin, 285 bbls tar, 70 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 5⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 15-16 cts	℔
Good Ordinary	4⅛	" "
Low Middling	4 15-16	" "
Middling	5⅝	" "
Good Middling	6⅛	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—3 006 bales; same day last year, 1 218.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@45c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 50c; Fancy, 75c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 47½@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—$1.00@1.05 per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.35; six inch, $2.25 to 2.25; seven inch, $3.50 to 5.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $8.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9—Evening.—Money on call easy at 1½@3 per cent., last loan 2 and closed offered at 1½@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼ for demand; 482½@483⅝ for sixty days. Posted rates 483¾@484 and 486½@487. Commercial bills 483. Silver certificates 57⅞@58¼. Bar silver 58, nominal. Mexican dollars 45½. Government bonds strong; new fours, registered, 129; new fours, coupon, 129; fours, registered, 112¾; fours, coupon, 114¼; twos, registered, 99; fives, registered 114½; fives, coupon, 114¾. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 128, North Carolina fours 104

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Rosin steady: Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 9.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 30c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 9.—Spirits turpentine firm at 30½c; sales 548 casks; receipts 1 009 casks. Rosin firm; sales 2,346 barrels; receipts 4,008 barrels; A, B, C, D $1 15, E, F $1 20, G $1 30, H $1 40, I $1 55, K $1 70, M $1 90, N $2 25, W G $2 35, W W $2 05

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—It was a day of small things again on the Cotton Exchange. After opening steady at 1@3 points decline, there was a featureless market to 10-34, when a recess was taken to 12 o'clock to enable members of the Cotton Exchange to attend the funeral of the late Siegfried Grunaer. Upon the resumption of business there was but little disposition to trade in the absence of important news, while orders from outside speculative sources were exceedingly scarce, leaving the local contingent practically in possession, but purposely and indifferent at present prices. At the weakened interval our market showed a loss of 4@6 points and closed dull but steady at a decline of 4@6 points.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9—Evening.—Cotton dull; middling 5⅞c.

Cotton futures opened steady and closed dull but steady, with sales of 96 100 bales; January 5 67, February 5 71, March 5 75, April 5 80, May 5 85, June 5 90, July 5 94, August 5 98, September 5 99, October 6 01, December 5 65

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 5⅞c; middling gulf 6¼c; sales — bales.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross 9,394 bales; exports to Great Britain — bales

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Naughty Mary.

Mary was a naughty girl
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Wherewith whene'er she got a chance
She greedily would cram.

Her mother lost the key one day
Which locks the storeroom door,
And Mary found it where it lay
Upon the kitchen floor.

She grasped the key in guilty haste
And to the storeroom ran,
Unlocked the door, climbed on a chair,
And then the fun began.

Now currant jam and little girls
Do not always agree;
Such was the case with Mary,
As we presently shall see.

Her mother found her stretched at length
And weeping on the floor;
No need there was to ask the cause—
There stood the open door.

In accents stern the mother spake,
"My child, 'tis sad I am
To see confession on your face
Outlined in currant jam."

"It's not because of pain I weep,"
Cried Mary from the floor;
"It is because I'm full of jam
And can't eat any more!" —Vanity.

Hold on, Boys!

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Hold on to the truth, for it will serve you well and do you good throughout eternity.

Hold on to your tongue when you are just ready to swear, lie or speak harshly or use an improper word.

Hold on to your temper when you are angry, excited or imposed upon or others angry about you.

Hold on to your heart when evil persons seek your company and invite you to join their games, mirth and revelry.

Hold on to your good name at all times for it is much more valuable to you than gold, high place or fashionable attire.—American Guard.

Too Crude.

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[illegible] may prove with father's love as strong as [illegible] husbands. I don't [illegible] you will [illegible] and you"

"That is brutal."

"No, it is only the truth, and this is the time for [illegible]

The conversation paused for a little. The fair twirled on, and then said the girl:

"This is all very kind and disinterested of you, no doubt, but there are plenty of other indecisive women in the world sorely in need of backing. Go and help them."

"As I said before, I love you; hence the present situation. You don't see why I should, for you are not particularly beautiful; you are stiff necked; you are not at all domesticated. Well, I am so far in love that I can't consider why, except it be that there is a barrier of unapproachableness about you that I long to beat down. I want to stir you out of that cold blooded indifference that you affect. I do not believe in it either, for you are not likely to have come to your present age without there having been some other fellow."

She turned upon him.

"Well, that is true; there was another man. He loved me with an unselfish devotion beside which this love of yours is unspeakable. He left me because he would not tempt me against my conscience. You don't care a button whether I violate my own sense of decency or not."

"Extravagance again," he said. "I will uproot that peculiar standard of yours and set up one better fitted for wear and tear. He loved you unselfishly, did he? So much the less man he."

"I will not let you speak of him. He is dead to me, and holy for that reason if for no other."

"Forgive me," said the man, bending toward her. "God knows I would not hurt you for the world. If that man could love you as a man loves and yet conquer the mad longing that I have now to hold you in my arms, he must have been very noble and worthy whatsoever you gave him."

"He was more than worthy. He was too good for [illegible]"

"No man could be too good for that rare smile of yours or for your kiss. You would honor him beyond his deserts. Ah, my sweetheart, do you think I don't worship you too? You are the sweetest, the dearest, the snow purest of women, and you have all my homage, all my love, all my desire to shield you and help you. God knows I am no saint, but I am not afraid for this love of mine. I never loved another woman in this fashion. You want peace? Then find it in my arms."

He held them out and bent toward her. His eyes, that could be so hard and unrelenting, were soft and pleading now. They were alone in the dim light of the corridor. There was no one to see or care, and his face and attitude asked plainer than words. A strong man in his pride humbling himself to ask this thing from her! There passed through her mind the vision of life with him beside her—a life with some high ideals shattered, perhaps, but with many torturing doubts and difficulties ended. What did it matter, after all, the fantastic isolation she had striven for? It was not good to be alone, and, then, that passion might not stir her love, but it thrilled the fibers of her being as a woman. Into the holy of holies he might not penetrate—that was closed forever unless—but he could fill the outer room and absorb her storm tossed spirit into his, as the river absorbs the brook.

"No, no!" she said, pushing him away. But the resistance was faint, and in another second his lips were on hers, and in that contact, perforce, she gave the betrothal kiss. In the moment of defeat she found time to learn that there was pleasure in the surrender. He put his arms around her and held her to him strongly, sheltering her face with his own and letting her heart throb against his. Then he released her, and, in another faroff supreme moment, she burst into [illegible]

"My darling," he said tenderly. "Our [illegible] cannot be not the time [illegible] will leave you for a me[illegible]

She walked away toward the end of the [illegible] and stood [illegible] cleaning [illegible] the night air fan her burning face.

"And so it ends!" she said. "As I feared all I know. Oh, my love, my love, you did well to leave me! A little bitterness, a little longing when we are young, a little futile searching for work—and then we go with the drove.' A woman says that, and it is true. Who can fight such a one sided battle? Oh, that I had been born anything but a woman and any rather than in the present time! A hundred years back I should not have known; a hundred years hence perhaps there will be something better to understand me than a man's caprice. As it is—and as I am"—

She then came back. He took her hands in his and looked into her face.

"Poor child!" he said. "Never did any one torment you with kindlier intention. Don't be afraid; I am not going to touch you till you give me leave. Your face is still tear stained a little. Give me your handkerchief. I found your sister in the hall. She is just going, and you can slip away with her. I have your cloak on the chair yonder. Don't be afraid of what people may say; nobody will think or talk this time—I have managed that."

She stood quietly while he put her cloak round her, fastened it with deft fingers and put a lace wrap over her hair, knotting it below the chin. Then he looked at her wistfully.

"Perhaps you will give me a kiss of your free will?"

And, for answer, she lifted her face to his like a child and kissed him submissively.—London Sketch.

VICTORIA CROWNED.

A Baltimorean's Recollections of the Accession of England's Queen.

Mr. John Carpenter, who has lived here since 1845, was present at the crowning of Victoria at Westminster. He talked about the event without hesitating:

"Victoria," he said, "was declared the lawful heir on June 20, 1837, but on account of her age—she was not yet 18—the public coronation did not take place until June 28, 1838. It is a long while ago. The pageant was a magnificent one, how long my memory does not serve me, but it was gorgeous. I saw the queen. She was a fresh looking young thing with a happy, smiling face, as innocent looking as she was. There was not a care upon her brow. It seemed as if no thought of the stupendous responsibilities which she was assuming had come to her. She appeared utterly unconscious of self or the part she was playing in that notable event.

"She did not appear frightened, but to the plaudits of the multitude she turned to the left and right, bowing and smiling most graciously. I had a good position on one of the thoroughfares through which the pageant passed and got a good look at her. Of course the trappings of her horses and the chariot and what not were most gorgeous. And such cheering! Such crowds! People! There were people everywhere. Strange as it may seem, though the queen should have been the central figure, I think what impressed me most on that occasion was the superb appearance of Marshal Soult, the French embassador, and his staff.

"Everything was gorgeous in the pageant, but Soult was more than gorgeous. I can see his trappings in my mind's eye at this minute. To attempt to describe them would be beyond my powers. Gorgeous is all I can say for them, and he knew they were gorgeous. While there was no self consciousness about the queen, there was plenty of it about the French embassador, and the people fed his vanity, for cheer after cheer rent the air as he passed by. There were long lines of resplendent soldiery. The brilliant uniforms, the glittering gold lace, the flashing of the arms in the sunlight, the blare of the trumpets, the cavalcades of horsemen, carriages of state—everything went to make up such a pageant as is seldom seen and can hardly be eclipsed by anything at the present time.

"Was the queen beautiful? I can hardly say that I obtained any such impression of her. I think she was pretty. Yes, I know she was. But it was her youth and her freshness that impressed me most. She had clear cut features, and her portraits of this date show nothing of the slender young girl with the graceful carriage I remember seeing that summer day so long ago."

Mr. Carpenter has in his possession a copy of The Sun, a paper published in London and probably the only one to be found in this city, of the date of the coronation. It was printed at the time in gilt, all of which has nearly worn away, but the paper is in an excellent state of preservation. On the front page is a vignette profile of the young queen, which Mr. Carpenter says was an excellent likeness at the time, and an editorial note pronounces it a triumph of art.

The paper was printed on June 20, 1838, and the number in the possession of Mr. Carpenter is the twentieth edition. It contains a history of former coronations, the make up of the pageant and the positions of the various troops, etc., in the coronation parade, a sketch of the young queen and every matter pertaining to the event. There is also a description of the crown which was placed on the head of the youthful daughter of the Duke of Kent. This crown was estimated to be worth £111,000.—Baltimore American.

She Wrote to the Queen.

The English queen, while staying at her castle in Scotland, received a letter one morning from one of the little tassies in the neighborhood. It began "Dear Lady Queen," and told how its writer had lost her beloved doll on the hills a little while before, and begged the queen to have it found for her. Her faith was so evident that the queen was both touched and pleased. She had inquiries made about the little girl and her doll, and then had one as like this as possible sent to her.

The statement is made by a Boston newspaper that 10 policemen are constantly stationed on Boston Common except on Sundays and holidays.

About a Young Composer.

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Leave Greensboro	4 30 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 17 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 47 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 15 "
Arrive Mt Airy	7 45 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1. Daily.
Leave Mt Airy	8 40 a m
Leave Rural Hall	10 04 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 33 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	2 15 p m
Leave Climax	12 43 "
Leave Sanford	3 35 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 56 "
Arrive Fayetteville	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 30 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4. Daily.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 a m
Arrive Maxton	9 02 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 5 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

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Leave Fayetteville	4 50 p m
Leave Hope Mills	5 07 "
Leave Red Springs	5 43 "
Arrive Maxton	6 11 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed. Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Rameur	6 40 a m
Leave Climax	8 20 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 15. Mixed. Daily Ex. Sunday.
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DAILY 7.15 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.4 a m, Rocky Mount 11.57 p m, Weldon 1 47 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.16 a m, Richmond 4.10 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.05 a m, Philadelphia 11.35 a m, New York 2.30 p m, Boston 5.00 p m.

DAILY except Sunday 9 10 p m — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 3 58 p m, Newbern 5 20 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 4.00 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 5.09 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, Marion 6.30 p m, Florence 7.20 p m, Sumter 9.30 p m, Columbia 10.10 p m, Denmark 6.30 a m, Augusta 8.30 a m, Macon 11.30 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 10.05 p m, Savannah 1 55 a m, Jacksonville 8.30 a m, St. Augustine 10.30 a m, Tampa 6.45 p m.

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DAILY except Sunday 12 3 p m — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9 20 a m, Jacksonville 10 45 a m.

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†Daily except Sunday.

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Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 a m and 2 30 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 4 00 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 00 a m and 7.30 p. m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4 05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.45 p m and 6 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 35 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Wilson for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.40 a m and 4.15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 8.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.00 a m, arrive Latta 10.18 a m, Dillon 10 50 a m, Rowland 11 05 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 10 p m, arrives Dillon 5.30 p m, Latta 5.43 p m, Pee Dee 7.05 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 11.50 a m, arrive Conway 2.10 p m, leave Conway 2 45 p m, Chadbourn 5.45 p m, arrive Hub 6.25 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 32 p m, Manning 7.00 p m, arrive Lane's 7 33 p m, leave Lanes 8.38 a m, Manning 9.06 a m, arrive Sumter 9.55 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 5 p m, arrive Lanes 8.28 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 9 55 a m, arrive Darlington 10 28 a m

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FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 10, 1897

FIGHTING IN CUBA.

INSURGENTS RAID THE TOWN OF CAIMANERA, NEAR GUANTANAMO.

Engagements Reported in Santa Clara Province—Distribution of Rations Among Concentrados Stopped by Order of Blanco—Spanish Opinion of McKinley's Message.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, December 9—It was officially announced to-day from Spanish headquarters that a "group of rebels" has entered Caimanera, near Guantanamo, "favored by the treason of an officer." The insurgent force, the official report adds, consisted of forty guerillas, volunteers and natives of Cuba. They are alleged to have plundered a store and to have carried off $30,000, which was on a wharf, and which had recently arrived at Caimanera from Havana. It is also said that the insurgents killed the police inspectors and two gendarmes on duty and seriously wounded a Spanish paymaster named Jose Vigil.

More Spanish guerillas, the official announcement concludes, have joined the insurgents.

Caimanera is the port of Guantanamo, and is situated fifteen miles by rail from the latter place. Caimanera is on the Bay of Guantanamo, otherwise Cumberland harbor.

Marshal Blanco, the Captain General, has ordered the distribution of rations among the concentrados to be stopped, $100,000 having been distributed among them in lieu of rations.

The insurgent Brigadier General Lino Perez who was captured by Spanish troops on the heights of Banoa, has been released.

The Spanish troops at Roque, in the district of Sancti Spiritus, province of Santa Clara, according to an official announcement, have been engaged with a number of insurgents, several of whom were killed. The troops, it is added, also captured seventeen insurgents and a quantity of arms and ammunition, while the insurgent Colonel Sanith and an insurgent major afterward surrendered to the government force.

MADRID December 9—At a Cabinet council to-day, the Queen Regent presiding, the Premier, Senor Sagasta, outlined the opinions of the European press regarding President McKinley's message to Congress, the majority of which, the Premier said, were favorable to Spain. He further declared that in the event of the United States wishing to intervene in Cuba, it would find the Government prepared to defend the rights and honor of Spain. As to the military operations in Cuba, the Premier informed the Cabinet that the results obtained were satisfactory. The Premier also said he did not attach importance to the attitude of certain Senators."

The *Imparcial* says to-day that it takes for granted that the Government will make the necessary preparation "to meet the intervention threatened by President McKinley," adding "If the new loan for the reorganization of the navy is floated, it is sure to succeed." In conclusion the *Imparcial* says: "The responsibility of the Government is enormous if it fails to profit by the opportunity offered to place the country in a position to defend its interests."

The ministerial *Globon* confirms the reports that the Government "is making preparations to meet the threats of intervention."

ATROCIOUS MURDERS.

A Mississippi Farmer's Wife and Four Children Killed by a Negro—Sheriff's Posse in Pursuit of the Murderer.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WESSON, MISS., December 9—One of the most atrocious murders on record in the South was committed last night in Simpson county, this State, two miles from here. Brown Smith, a farmer, and a son of ex-Representative Edward Smith, left his family at his home in the country to go to town for shopping purposes. This morning when he returned he found his wife and five children apparently lifeless. An alarm was raised immediately, and the entire neighborhood turned out to hunt for the perpetrator of the crime. There being no telegraphic connection, details of the murder come in slowly, but it is reported this evening that one of the little girls, supposed this morning to have been dead, has revived enough to tell what she knew of the occurrence. She says she knows the man who committed the deed; that it was a negro, and described him. A posse is now on the track of the murderer. There is great probability that he will be apprehended before morning and there is but little doubt of his meeting speedy justice when caught.

It is learned that Mrs. Smith and her four children are dead. Sheriffs McNair, of Lincoln, and Thompson, of Copiah counties, have gone to the scene of the murder, each with a pack of trained bloodhounds.

MRS. M'KINLEY'S CONDITION.

Only Slight Hope of Her Surviving the Night.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CANTON, OHIO, December 9—At 11 30 o'clock Mrs. McKinley is still living, but very weak. Otherwise there is no change in her condition. When the doctor left her, probably for the last time to night, he had some hope of her surviving the night, but said the case had reached that point where it was impossible to make any prediction with the slightest assurance of certainty. The family is very apprehensive of the night, and entertain only slight hopes of the patient's surviving it. Mrs. McKinley rests quietly, and at times shows scarcely any evidence of animation. President McKinley remains constantly in the sickroom.

HUMAN FOOT FOUND.

Evidence of a Startling Nature Supposed to Indicate a Murder.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 9—Evidence of a startling nature, which indicates that a murder has been committed somewhere between Chicago and Denver, on the Chicago & Alton Railroad, was found to day on the top of the front trucks of the Pullman sleeping car "Militades" shortly after its arrival in Chicago. It was a human foot, apparently that of a man, and a long slender spike penetrated the large toe. The police believe that a man had been tied to the railroad track, his feet spiked to the ties and that he had then been left to meet certain death under the train.

A bill for constructing dry docks and enlarging those already built in a number of cities was introduced yesterday in the House. Appropriations are made to improve the dry dock at Norfolk, Va., $160,000; and to construct a wharf at Port Royal, S. C., $75,000.

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SENATE AND HOUSE.

NO IMPORTANT MEASURES CONSIDERED IN EITHER BODY.

Pensions Appropriation Bill Under Consideration—Protest Against Annexation from Hawaii—Private Pension Bills Passed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The Senate did considerable business to-day, although no very important measures were considered or passed and there was very little debate.

Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Committee on Pensions, called attention to the increasing demand for private pension legislation, and requested Senators to be careful in the future to see that their bills for private pensions were meritorious before they were introduced.

Senator Hoar presented a petition signed by 21,269 natives of Hawaii protesting against the annexation of those islands to the United States.

An attempt was made by Senator McBride to secure an appropriation for the relief of the Klondike miners, but the net result was a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for all information he had on that subject.

An hour was devoted to the consideration of private pension bills, and forty-five were passed.

The resolution of the Pacific Railroad Committee asking information regarding the sale of the Kansas Pacific was passed, which gave Senator Gear, of Iowa, and Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, an opportunity to make short speeches congratulating the country upon the settlement of the Pacific railroad question.

A resolution was offered by Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs, providing for an investigation of the question of dry docks and naval stations.

A bill was passed to pay the Richmond Locomotive Works its claim for damages and losses incurred in the construction of the battleship Texas.

Senator Gorman secured the passage of a bill to provide for the purchase of additional land in Baltimore, Md., and for the erection thereon of a new Government building.

The Pacific Railroad resolution offered by Senator Harris, of Kansas, last Spring, was re committed to the Union Pacific Railroad Committee.

Upon motion of Senator Lodge, the immigration bill was made the unfinished business on the Senate calendar.

At 3 40 p. m. the Senate adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House to-day entered upon the consideration of the Pension Appropriation bill and stirred up a debate that promises to continue for several days. Several of the Southern Democrats offered criticisms of various classes of pensioners and Mr. John Allen, of Mississippi, who led the assault in a speech replete with his characteristic humor, presented a series of amendments designed, as he said, to correct some of the most glaring evils. The Northern Democrats, however, vie with the Republicans in their professions of friendship for the soldiers, and one of them, Mr. Norton of Ohio, declared that the Republicans could not make the bill too large for him.

Mr. Stone, in charge of the bill, yielded to Mr. Cannon, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, who took occasion to make a general statement of the estimates submitted by the Secretary of the Treasury for the public service of 1899, for the purpose, he said, of disabusing the minds of members, and the country, of a false impression made by a comparison of these estimates with those of preceding years. The estimated revenues for 1899 were $483 000 000 the expenditures $504,000,000, showing an estimated deficit of $22,000 000.

Mr. Allen produced figures that showed an estimated deficit for the next year of $72,000,000. He referred to the increase in the pension roll under the present administration and ridiculed the idea of a decrease unless the late increase was to be attributed to the "exigences of the recent campaign in Ohio." He read from Commissioner Evans' testimony before the Appropriations Committee, predicting a deficit of from $8,000,000 to $10.000 in pension expenditures during the next fiscal year. The maximum has not yet been reached.

After further debate the committee rose and the House adjourned.

UNREST AMONG MOSLEMS.

Fears of An Armed Uprising in Russian India.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 9.—Throughout Russian Asia there is general unrest among the Moslems. It is attributed to the exaggerated reports of the Turkish victory over the "Great Greek Empire," which have spread through the length and breadth of the continent.

The authorities even fear that the revival of brigandage recently noticed in the Caucasus is directed almost solely against the Government officials, and the unprecedented phenomenon of Georgians displaying hostilities toward Armenians has become manifest.

The danger is so serious that a conference of Circassian governors has been convoked to concert measures of pacification. Travellers in Central Asia report an extraordinary ferment among the Moslems of different races. They are sinking their mutual animosities and declaring that they are first of all Mohammedans, with the Sultan as their common chief.

It is evident that the slightest pretext would suffice to bring about an uprising and to plunge Russia into the same sea of troubles as India.

HON. WM. J. BRYAN

Duck Hunting in Texas—Started on His Tour of Mexico.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, December 9.—William J. Bryan and party returned last evening from their duck hunting trip to Lake Surprise, in Chambers county. Mr. Bryan carried off the palm by bagging forty-three ducks, of which twelve were canvas backs. He expressed himself as having had a delightful trip, and appeared to be in the best of health. After dinner Mr. Bryan departed for San Antonio, where he will be joined by Mrs. Bryan and ex-Consul-General Crittenden, for a tour of Mexico. Mr. Bryan said he had expected to reach home about January 16th.

THE LUETGERT TRIAL.

But One More Man Lacking on the Jury.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 9—Four more jurors were secured in the Luetgert case to-day. They are Charles A. Snow, Richard Mee, Joseph Bolex and E. W. Ferris. The jury now lacks but one man and it is expected he will be secured to-morrow.

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GREAT BICYCLE CONTEST.

Miller Still Leading in the Six Days' Race at Madison Square Garden—Physicians Denounce the Exhibition.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9—Hale's record for 1896 will look ridiculous when this year's figures in full will be placed up against it. In this contest Hale has outstripped his own figures. Last year he had 1,305 miles to his credit and to-night he had covered 1,880.

Stephane, the French rider from whom so much was expected, was officially declared out of the race to night. He was thoroughly exhausted.

Miller seems to be absolutely tireless when on the wheel. He is fast approaching the automatic stage. His eyes stare straight ahead, and were it not for his occasional great spurts he would seem to be lost to all consciousness.

Hale and Elkes are looming up as "dark horses." They are the freshest men on the track, with the advantage in favor of the Glenn Falls youth, who still cuts a pace that the rest of the bunch find it hard to keep up with. He has had over twenty hours sleep since the race started and lots of speed is left in him yet.

Hale astonished the throng when, along about 8.30 p. m., he began to spurt. He looked as if he had just gone into the race and rode along for a while at exhibition speed. He is showing great form. Gus Borgland, Miller's trainer, says that the leader's condition is improving greatly as the hours roll by.

August Lehr, champion of Germany, who arrived on the steamship Trave to-day, and who will participate in the sprint races in the Garden this week, visited the hall to night and speaking about the contest said:

"I think this is the greatest race I ever saw and feel sure that it is the greatest one in the world. I am very much surprised at the crowds that come to see it, and the enthusiasm."

Miller left the track at 9 o'clock, with 1,533 miles one lap to his credit. He returned after a rest of fifteen minutes.

Miller and Waller indulged in a spurt at 10 45 o'clock with Beacom making the pace. Rice was close behind, with Julius well up. Schinneer crowded the bunch with Enteremap, Johnson, Kinz and Gray doing solos. Golden was doing a little bit, too.

Cannon, Hale and Elkes were off the track at that time.

Henry Steinert, counsel to the board of health of this city, speaking about the bicycle race to day, said:

"It is a brutal exhibition and should be discontinued forthwith. It is not a scientific exhibition, but one in which sheer brute force prevails. If it can be proven to the Board of Health that it is detrimental to the life and health of the participants, then the Board can step in and stop it."

Dr Edward W. Martin, of the Health Board, speaking on the same subject, said:

"No horse, or locomotive on the New York Central could do what the men in that race have done up to the present time. The participants can never recover from the effects of the strain and I would not be surprised if some of them do not become raving maniacs before Saturday night."

Police Inspector Brooks, with several police surgeons visited the garden to-night and made a thorough inspection. They said that they found no cause for complaint and that interference would be unwarranted.

The score at 1.15 was: Miller, 1590 5; Rice, 1508 4; Rivierre, 1504 5; Schinecer, 1482 1; Waller, 1893 4. Moore, 1435 0; Hale, 1387.0, Pierce, 1368 0; Elkes, 1270 7; Goldan, 1242 8; Esterman, 988 0 Cannon, 1210 7; King, 1188 1; Julius, 1157 2; Beacon, 987 0; Johnson, 899 4, Gray, 898 3.

Miller was 229 miles ahead of the record for 97 hours.

THE AUTONOMY SCHEME.

Carlist Organs Making Capital Out of Pronunciamento by Premier Sagasta.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 9—The Madrid correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says: The Carlist organs throughout Spain are making capital out of a pronunciamento delivered by Senor Sagasta against the autonomy scheme. The Carlist minority in the Cortes having issued a protest in which it drew a clear distinction between political and administrative ability, Senor Sagasta unexpectedly echoed the sentiments of the protest in a speech declaring that the nation was "animated by the feeling first expressed by the Carlist minority." He affirmed that the country had not poured its blood and treasure in Cuba as a vain sacrifice, but in order to retain the colonies as an integral portion of her dominion, and that the government's action in granting political autonomy to the Cubans was "in opposition to the feeling of the country and to the solidarity of the nation."

WARNED TO LEAVE TOWN.

Trouble with a Travelling Evangelist at Florence, Kansas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FLORENCE, KAS, December 9.—At an indignation meeting yesterday Travelling Evangelist L. C. Martin was warned to leave town on the grounds that he had slandered city officials and other persons. Martin became defiant, and held his usual revival meeting last evening. A crowd of men gathered outside to await his exit, but Martin held an all-night prayer meeting, twenty or thirty of his adherents remaining with him. He still holds the fort to-night, and trouble is feared.

WARM WIRELETS

The New York Cotton Exchange will be closed December 25th and 27th and January 1st and 3rd.

At Fall River, Mass., everybody is waiting for the presentation of the new schedule of wages. The general belief is that the cut down will be about 11 per cent.

After December 1st wages for miners at Creede, Col., will be $3.00 a day instead of $2.50. The increase was made voluntarily by the mine owners.

In the New York dry goods market a continuation of dull conditions is the rule, with the attendance of buyers small and orders slight in extent and number.

Thomas F. Stearns, former cashier of the defunct Traders' Bank of Lynchburg, Va., was acquitted by the jury, after three minutes deliberation of the charge of making false report to the State Auditor.

It is reported that Mrs. Fitzsimmons, wife of the champion pugilist, says that if her husband desired to meet Corbett once more she would not care to stand in his way. It is now believed that a match will be arranged.

The Athens correspondent of the London *Chronicle* says that on Monday last two soldiers in the imperial service at the palace of the Sultan made an attempt on the life of the Sultan, but it was frustrated by his attendants.

Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, yesterday, introduced a bill for a revision of the quarantine laws, the distinctive feature of which is the placing of the quarantine regulations exclusively in the hands of the national authorities.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

Death of Col. Jno. D. Cameron—Interest in the Case of John Evans, the Condemned Rapist—Pending Matters in Supreme Court.

[Special Star Correspondence.]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 9.

Col. John D. Cameron died in Asheville this morning at 8.45 so a telegram from that place states.

There is a new telephone line being constructed from Warren Plains to Raleigh. Henderson people are furnishing the capital. It is already constructed as far as Youngsville.

Mr. Oliver H. Dockery has been here for several days in the interest of John Evans, whose death sentence the Governor respited. Counsel for Evans, who is confined in jail here, will continue their fight to have his sentence commuted.

De Wolf Hopper and company, numbering seventy-five people, arrived today from Norfolk. The attraction appears here to-night under an $800 guarantee. There is a large sale of seats and the attendance from adjacent points is also large.

Rev. R. H. W. Leak, the colored preacher and politician, who was recently elevated by the Conference to presiding elder, has issued a circular to his friends, in which he states that he will assumes his duties next week.

The Auditor sent the first pension warrants out to-day. There is $103 000 for distribution among the old veterans. All the warrants will be mailed during the present week.

The Secretary of State issued incorporation papers to-day to the Ashboro Telephone Company for a period of thirty years.

The Supreme Court may not dispose of the cases of the contesting Railway Commissioners until the spring term which does not meet until February. Next week the court will take up the Twelfth district, the last on the docket. In two weeks adjournment will be taken for the Christmas holidays. It is more than likely that there will be no decisions until the holidays.

WEDDING IN HAMILTON.

Miss Helen Martin and Mr. Jno. Davenport Married on the Evening of Dec. 8th.

[Star Correspondence.]

HAMILTON, N. C., Dec. 9.

The Episcopal church in this place was the scene of the most beautiful marriage on the evening of the 8th inst., witnessed in this community for some time.

The parties were Miss Helen Martin and Mr. Jno. Davenport, both of this place. The church decorations were beautiful and artistic. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Smith, of the Episcopal church.

The marriage took place at 7 o'clock after which was the reception, at which only a few friends were present. The bride is a very beautiful young lady and quite popular; the groom is one of the most successful business men in Hamilton. Their numerous friends all extend congratulations and best wishes.

Granville Loud, senior member of the firm of Loud, Claridge & Co., ship chandlers, Baltimore, committed suicide by shooting himself. Business anxieties are assigned as the cause. Mr. Loud was about sixty years of age, and leaves a widow and two children.

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